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In re Application of:	}	
JUERGEN WAGNER, DIETER GRAFL,	}	Group Art Unit:
ARMIN PRASKA, and KAI-UWE LEMKE	}	
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Application No. 10/591,773	}	
Filing Date: July 16, 2007	}	Examiner:
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For: A FLUID SEPARATION DEVICE	}	Attorney Docket 1-17833

October 2, 2007

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Attention: OIPE - Filing Receipt Corrections

REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT

Honorable Sir:

Attached is a copy of the Filing Receipt dated August 28, 2007, which we received from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-captioned application. Upon reviewing the Filing Receipt, we found the following errors which require correction:

Under Applicant(s): The first inventor's name "Jurgen Wagner" should be  
--Juergen Wagner-- [English equivalent of ü is ue]; and

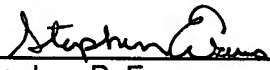
Under Foreign Applications: The second priority application number "10200401177.4"  
should be --10200401177.4--.

The issue of the spelling of the first inventor's name as "Juergen Wagner" was previously addressed in our Response to the Notification of Missing Requirements, clarifying that the English equivalent of the German name Jürgen is Juergen, i.e., the umlaut is suppressed and ü is replaced with "ue".

Attached is a copy of the executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney document filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on May 14, 2007, along with our "Response to Notification of Missing Requirements" as supporting documentation.

Applicants respectfully request correction of the above-noted errors and issuance of a Corrected Filing Receipt in the subject application.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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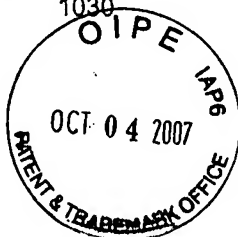


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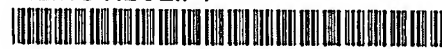
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CONFIRMATION NO. 4274

## FILING RECEIPT



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Receipt is acknowledged of this nonprovisional patent application. The application will be taken up for examination in due course. Applicant will be notified as to the results of the examination. Any correspondence concerning the application must include the following identification information: the U.S. APPLICATION NUMBER, FILING DATE, NAME OF APPLICANT, and TITLE OF INVENTION. Fees transmitted by check or draft are subject to collection. Please verify the accuracy of the data presented on this receipt. If an error is noted on this Filing Receipt, please write to the Office of Initial Patent Examination's Filing Receipt Corrections. Please provide a copy of this Filing Receipt with the changes noted thereon. If you received a "Notice to File Missing Parts" for this application, please submit any corrections to this Filing Receipt with your reply to the Notice. When the USPTO processes the reply to the Notice, the USPTO will generate another Filing Receipt incorporating the requested corrections (if appropriate).

## Applicant(s)

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 Armin Praska, Rimpf, GERMANY;  
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## Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant

This application is a 371 of PCT/EP05/02432 03/08/2005  
 which claims benefit of 60/593,019 07/30/2004

## Foreign Applications

GERMANY 102004011176.6 03/08/2004  
 GERMANY 10200401177.4 03/08/2004 should be --102004011177.4--  
 GERMANY 102004037157.1 07/30/2004

If Required, Foreign Filing License Granted: 08/24/2007

The country code and number of your priority application, to be used for filing abroad under the Paris Convention, is **US10/591,773**

Projected Publication Date: 12/06/2007

**Non-Publication Request:** No

**Early Publication Request:** No

**Title**

Fluid Separation Device

**Preliminary Class**

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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS

In response to the "Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US)" dated May 18, 2007 (copy attached), enclosed is the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney document, as well as a "Revocation of Power of Attorney with New Power of Attorney and Change of Correspondence Address" with "Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b)" and copy of the Assignment. Please note that the umlaut (ü) in the second inventor's name, Jürgen Wagner, should be replaced with the letter "u" followed by an "e" (ue), which is the English equivalent of the German name, and should read --Juergen Wagner--.

Also enclosed is a Second Preliminary Amendment, an Information Disclosure Statement, and an Assignment document from the inventors, Juergen Wagner, Dieter Grafl, Armin Praska and Kai-Uwe Lemke to REINZ-Dichtungs-GmbH for recordation.

A check in the amount of \$170.00 is enclosed to cover the requisite fees: \$130.00 surcharge for late filing of the Declaration and \$40.00 for recordation of the Assignment.

Please charge any additional fees due or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-1816.

Respectfully submitted,

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**NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)**

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 09/06/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 09/06/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 09/06/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 09/06/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 09/06/2006

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
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# Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application Erklärung für Patentanmeldungen mit Vollmacht

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Prior Foreign Applications  
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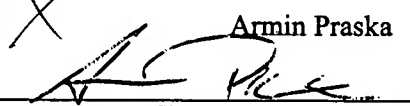
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